GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS FOR REHABILITATION
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal has been sent to the Union Government by the Government of Katnataka to provide 100 per cent financial assistance for rehabilitation of 154 tribal families displaced due to the formation of Bandipur National Park;

(b) if so, whether there is delay in dispatching the instalments;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to release the funds immediately?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (d) An Annual Plan of Operation for 2005-06 received from State for Bandipur (Nagarahole extension) Tiger Reserve has been approved for an amount of Rs. 456.39 lakhs (Central Assistance Rs. 331.925 lakhs), which inter alia includes rehabilitation of 154 affected tribal families by formation of Bandipur Tiger Reserve. An amount of Rs. 251.585 lakhs has already been released for implementation of activities approved in Annual Plan of Operation for 2005-06. Action has been taken for release of balance Central Assistance, based on progress report / utilization of funds as received from the State.